

Entry Forms deadline: August 25, 2023

# Open & Youth Pigeons & Doves

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Judges: Chris Raines and Andrew Kerns

*Sponsored by the Virginia Pigeon and Dove Association with the State Fair of Virginia*

## 2023 Official Schedule

Caged and Ready: Friday, Sept 22 BY 8 PM

Judging: Open Show: Saturday, Sept 23, 9 AM to 4 PM

Youth Open: Sunday, Sept 24, 10 AM until Finished

Pigeon Rolling Demonstration: See Superintendent

Release: Sunday, Oct 1 at 8 PM. Vehicles allowed in after 8 PM

## Open Pigeons & Doves Special Rules:

The State Fair General Rules, the Livestock Rules and the Show Ring Code of Ethics apply to this department. By submitting an entry you agree to read and abide by these rules.

- Competition is open to the world.
- All Breeds of Pigeons and Doves welcome. Young and Old Bird Show. Small breed of Doves (e.g., Diamonds, etc.) may be shown, but exhibitor must supply their own exhibition cages that can be readily maintained to feed and water. Entries are limited by the cooping capacity of 600 pigeons and 75 doves.
- In all breeds there must be ten entries to constitute a competition from two different exhibitors within that breed.
- No Judge will be allowed to compete in the breed which he or she is judging.
- Youth and Open shows judged separately, except for Champion of Champions. The following fees are required:

\*Youth, 17 years of age and under = \$1.00 per class      \*Open = \$2.00 per class

Additional Exhibitor Season Passes will need to be purchased in advance and are on order form.

Fully paid entries must be accompanied by check or money order and made to the VPDA.

Mail all entries payable to: VPDA, PO Box 253, Ladysmith, VA 22501-9998

- Rollers and Racing Homers will be judged as two (2) types, "Flown" or "Show Type." When the type is not specified, the bird will be judged as "Show Type."
- All birds entered must be delivered in person (no shipping). All breeds must be banded with seamless bands of reputable banding organization and proper size. No split bands.
- A substitution of a valuable animal may be made if this substitution is the same breed, color, sex, etc. and exhibitor has the Superintendent's permission.
- Birds are entered at the risk of the owner. The State Fair of Virginia will not be responsible for loss by fire or otherwise, but will exercise due vigilance. Sick animals must be removed by owner or by the Superintendent if the owner is unavailable.

Champions

Reserve Champion

Junior Champion

Trophy

Trophy

Trophy

**Awards – 1<sup>st</sup> Place and 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Ribbon for Each Class**  
(having at least two exhibitors within a class and 10 birds entered for a class for a ribbon.)